## UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 02-1547

HERBERT HAYES,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

versus

JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INCORPORATED; J. E. MERIT CONSTRUCTION; RON PULLIAM,

Defendants - Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina, at Durham. Paul Trevor Sharp, Magistrate Judge. (CA-00-63-1)

Submitted: September 23, 2002 Decided: October 22, 2002

Before LUTTIG, WILLIAMS, and TRAXLER, Circuit Judges.

Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

Herbert Hayes, Appellant Pro Se. James Marion Powell, Lucretia Smith Guia, HAYNSWORTH, BALDWIN, JOHNSON & GREAVES, L.L.C., Greensboro, North Carolina, for Appellees.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit. See Local Rule 36(c).

## PER CURIAM:

Herbert Hayes appeals the denial of his motion for a new trial after judgment was entered against him based upon a jury verdict in his employment discrimination action under 42 U.S.C. § 1981 (2000).\* We have reviewed the record and find no reversible error. We therefore affirm. See Hayes v. Jacobs Eng'g Group Inc., No. CA-00-63-1 (M.D.N.C. Apr. 23, 2002). We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

<u>AFFIRMED</u>

<sup>\*</sup> The parties consented to the jurisdiction of a magistrate judge under 28 U.S.C. § 636(c) (2000).